

ORDINANCE NO. 1691

AN ORDINANCE changing dog and cat license fees and amending Ordinance 1396, Article II, Section 1.

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF KING COUNTY:

SECTION 1. Ordinance 1396, Article II, Section 1, is hereby amended to read as follows:

Dog and Cat Licenses - Required

(1) License requirements. All dogs and cats, harbored, kept, or maintained in King County over four months of age shall be licensed and registered annually, provided however, that dogs kept in kennels need not be licensed annually while kept at such kennel and while such kennel is duly licensed as provided in Article II, Section 2 herein.

(2) Fees. Dog and cat licenses shall be issued by the Animal Control Authority upon application and payment of an annual license fee made payable to the County Treasurer in the sum of ~~((six dollars - (\$6.00)))~~ eight dollars for dogs provided that when proof is submitted that such dog has been neutered or spayed the fee shall be four dollars; and ~~((three-dollars))~~ four dollars for cats, provided that when proof is submitted that such cat has been neutered or spayed, the fee shall be two dollars (\$2.00). The effective date for such license fees shall be January 1, 1974. The annual license fee shall become due and payable on January 1st of each year. Applications for a dog or cat license shall be on forms provided by the Animal Control Authority. No pro-ration of a license fee for a portion of the calendar year shall be made. All license tags issued herein shall be securely affixed to a substantial collar harness or

1 other means which shall be worn by the dog at all times. As an  
2 alternative to a license tag an animal may be identified as  
3 licensed by being tattooed on its right ear or on its inside  
4 right thigh or groin with a license number approved or issued by  
5 the Animal Control Authority.

6 (3) Penalty. A late penalty in the sum of ((two-dollars  
7 (\$2.00))) ten dollars shall be charged on all applications re-  
8 ceived after January 31 of each year, ((provided,-however,-that  
9 a-dog-or-cat-acquired-during-the-year-shall-be-licensed-within  
10 thirty-(30)-days-from-the-date-of-its-aquisition-and-in-such  
11 cases-the-late-penalty-shall-be-charged-only-on-applications-re-  
12 ceived-after-the-expiration-of-that-thirty-(30)-day-period.))  
13 It shall be a rebuttable presumption that an animal has not been  
14 licensed unless a proof of purchase, within the preceding thirty  
15 days is presented to the licensing officer or agent, the animal's  
16 owner has moved into the county within the preceding thirty days,  
17 the animal had been under the age which requires a license, or  
18 other proof deemed acceptable in the department's rules and regu-  
19 lations.

20 (4) Fees Collected. All fees and fines collected under this  
21 ordinance shall be deposited in the County Current Expense Fund.  
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(5) Non-Applicability. The provisions of this section shall not apply to dogs or cats in the custody of a veterinarian or Animal Shelter or whose owners are non-residents temporarily within the County for a period not exceeding thirty (30) days. The fees contained herein shall become effective beginning with the 1973 license year.

INTRODUCED AND READ for the first time this 26th day of February, 1973.

PASSED this 11th day of June, 1973.

KING COUNTY COUNCIL  
KING COUNTY, WASHINGTON

John T. O'Brien  
Chairman

ATTEST:

Dorothy G. Quenna  
Deputy Administrator-Clerk  
King County Council

APPROVED this 12th day of June, 1973.

John D. Sullivan  
King County Executive